

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE!**

The Council & Staff would like to thank everyone for their continued support and trust and to wish everyone a year filled with joy, success and good health. Here is to a fantastic year ahead!

**SNOW REMOVAL REMINDERS**

When clearing snow from your driveway, please avoid moving it across municipal roads. Doing so can lead to various issues, including:

- Frozen snow clumps left on the road, which may damage snow removal equipment or other vehicles.
- Insufficiently cleared snow causing road narrowing or obstructing snow removal operations.
- Drainage problems in the spring, leading to potential flooding as the snow melts.



We appreciate your cooperation in helping us ensure safer and more efficient snow removal for everyone.

**January is Alzheimer Awareness Month!**

Visit [www.alzheimer.ca/algoma](http://www.alzheimer.ca/algoma)  
FOR INFORMATION ON HOW THEY CAN HELP

Let's support local persons living with dementia this January by leaving your blue holiday lights up to raise awareness this Alzheimer's Awareness Month!

**Landfill Winter Hours**

October 1st - March 31st  
 Tuesday: 12:00pm - 5:00pm  
 Thursday : 12:00pm - 5:00pm  
 Saturday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

**Next Regular Council Meeting**

January 14, 2025 at 7pm

All Council meetings are open to the public!

**WATER METER READING**

The water meters will be read on Friday January 31st. Please ensure there is a clear path to your remote in order for staff to be able to read your meter safely. If they are unable to read your meter due to snow you will be charged the base amount and the difference will be adjusted on the next reading in March. This helps ensure that your meter is read in order to prevent any additional charges.

**DOG TAGS**

Dog Tags are due March 31, 2025. Dog tags purchased after this date will be at the increased rate. Dog tags for dogs that have been spayed or neutered are \$5.00 and are \$15.00 for unaltered dogs. The Kennel Fee is \$50.00 and \$2.00 for each dog in the kennel.

Dog tags can be purchased by visiting our website at [www.echobay.ca](http://www.echobay.ca) Please note that you do not need a PayPal account to make purchases on our municipal website, and you can choose the guest checkout option to complete your purchase.

**REMINDER:** Please do not let your dogs run at large, you must always be in care and control of them. This is a common courtesy to your neighbors and the neighborhood you live in.

**Echo Bay United Church Echo Bay & Area Food Bank**

Thank you for all the donations received in 2024!

Non-perishable food donations and monetary donations can be dropped at the Municipal Office at 208 Church Street.

Monetary donations can be made at the Municipal office and EMT's can be sent to [echobayfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:echobayfoodbank@gmail.com)

**Electronic Tax Bills**

Interim Tax Bills for 2025 will be sent out in February. If you would like to receive your tax bills electronically please send an e-mail to [mspurway@ontera.net](mailto:mspurway@ontera.net) and reference your 19 digit roll number to begin receiving your bills electronically.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

The Museum Lending Library is offering free access to Ontario Parks through Commercial Day Use Vehicle Permits! With your library card, you can borrow a day permit that provides access for one vehicle and its occupants to over 100 provincial parks in Ontario. These permits are valid for the entire year, from January 1 to December 31, 2025. Explore nature and make the most of this incredible opportunity!